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FM AMEMBASSY JIDDA

TO SECDEF WASHDC IMMEDIATE

DA WASHDC /LO-ILS/ IMMEDIATE

USMTM DHAHRAN IMMEDIATE

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9774

C O N F I D E N T I A L JIDDA 0163

E.O.: 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, SA

SUBJ: UNIFORM AND FIELD EQUIPMENT OFFER

REF : A. JIDDA 7413; B. DA 162220Z DEC 74

1. EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT REF B, WHICH WAS DESPATCHED PRIOR TO REF A, NEVERTHELESS CONTAINS FAIR STATEMENT OF THE SITUATION CONCERNING POSSIBILITIES FOR REDUCED LEAD TIMES ON DELIVERIES OF UNIFORMS AND FIELD EQUIPMENT. (REF A HAD REQUESTED THAT DOD INFORM US OF ANY POSSIBILITY OF SHORTENED LEAD TIMES.)

2. SULTAN EXPECTS FURTHER REPLY FROM AMBASSADOR ON MATTER OF DELIVERY TIMES. SINCE WE DESIRE NOT TO DELAY UNDULY, AND WISH TO ENCOURAGE SULTAN TO SIGN PRESENT LETTERS OF OFFER, AMBASSADOR WOULD LIKE TO SEND SULTAN LETTER ON THIS SUBJECT BY SUNDAY, JANUARY 12. KEY STATEMENT WILL BE AS FOLLOWS: "I HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT WHILE THE U.S. DEPT. OF DEFENSE CANNOT PROMISE MORE RAPID DELIVERIES, THE DEPARTMENT WILL DO ALL IT CAN TO EXPEDITE THE ORDERS ONCE THEY
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ARE PLACED. (EMBASSY COMMENT: REF B). THE ACTUAL PRODUCTION

TIMES WILL, HOWEVER, DEPEND UPON ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN
THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY IN THE UNITED STATES."

3. ACTION REQUESTED: CAN WASHINGTON SUPPORT ANY STRONGER,
MORE POSITIVE STATEMENT TO SULTAN?
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